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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This paper is responsive to the Office action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 11, 2006, in the above-identified patent application.

A Terminal Disclaimer and associated fee are being submitted herewith: Applicants believe that the correct fee is included with this submission; however, if any additional fee is due, the Director is authorized to charge the required fee for this submission to Deposit Account No. 07-1700.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment and Response, reconsideration and withdrawal of all rejections, and passage of the claims to allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.